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RIETH.

On the 2nd December, at Ipoh, Perak, F.M.S., the wife of H. PATERSON, of the son:

DEATH.

On the 25th November, at the Seremban Hospital, WALTER JAMES BILLET, overseer, Batung Benar Road Construction, Negri Seremban, F.M.S.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 13th December, 1902.

WHATEVER the cause, the gradual diminution of interest which has marked for some years the succeeding meetings of the British Association seems this year to have reached its climax in the recent meeting in Belfast. This was exhibited not only in the contents of the papers read and the new discoveries exhibited but was even more disagreeably manifested in the falling off in the receipts. The receipts since the last meeting in Belfast held in 1874 have actually fallen from £1,950 to £1,620, and this in the face of the fact that from being a comparatively small borough, the town is now one of the eight largest in the United Kingdom, and ranks as a city of 350,000 inhabitants with the largest lineal and almost the largest shipbuilding interests in the kingdom. Twenty, or even ten years ago, the public looked forward to each of the annual meetings of the Association for the announcement of some new scientific discovery of first rate importance; it may be said that almost for the first time since the establishment of the Association not one discovery or invention was brought before the notice of the meeting. Much of this apparent falling off has come about by the increasing specialisation of science. It is beyond the power of any but the highest intellect to follow the wide stream of science in its entire development. As Professor DEWAR put it well in his opening address: "In diplomacy and war, so in science, we owe our reputation, and so small part of our prosperity, to exceptional men"; and he added, "that we do not enjoy these things in fuller measure we owe to our lack of an army of well trained ordinary men

capable of utilising their ideas." There is much truth in this, but also it is the common experience of the world that the exceptional man does not come when he is whistled for; but that from age to age particular epochs have been marked above others for their abnormal development of the exceptional. It is only at rare intervals in the world's history that a CAESAR, a KÆL, or a NAPOLEON, not to speak of a DANTE, or a SHAKESPEARE, has appeared on the face of this lower world; and when he has come he has set at naught all the fetters that bind ordinary men. The nineteenth century was marked by its production of the exceptional: RUMFORD, DAVY TYNDALL, HUXLEY, DARWIN, and KELVIN form a galaxy of which any century may be proud. They were not produced by any process of evolution; like the poet they were born not made; and we must be content now that for the most part they are past to use the best means we can to follow their methods. Perhaps the last spark of that indomitable spirit which compels a man, will he will he, to launch out into the unknown regardless of the storm-warning that hold back the ordinary individual, was afforded in the person of the President, who has boldly ventured into the unknown depths that surround the beginnings of heat. Here, as Professor DEWAR showed, the task is a parabolic one. Lord KELVIN on scientific data which have never been disproved, and seldom seriously as sailed, calculated the absolute minimum of temperature at 273° degrees centigrade below the melting point of ice. Professor DEWAR has in his recent work actually reached down to the boiling point of hydrogen, and it might seem a light matter to bridge this apparently insignificant gap of 20 degrees—something less than often separates one spring day from another—yet in all probability the passage is beset with more real difficulties than have been incurred in the forcible extinction of the other two hundred and odd. The interval conceals mysteries amongst the most profound in nature, and of these difficulties we are only just beginning to have a mere glance. So a few years ago an accident revealed to Professor ROENTGEN the existence of a new series of etherial vibrations of which up till then men, from the imperfection of their senses, had remained ignorant; but this discovery has been the fruitful mother of other researches, with the result that we now find ourselves on the margin of other unknown realms ripe for the entrance of the explorer. The want is not, as the ignorant or half-hearted are apt to judge, of realms to conquer but of the able and exceptional man, who throwing the scabbard away will recklessly, but with knowledge, cast himself into the narrow way.

But if this interest in science seems to have in a measure cooled down from its one time heat, it is curious to note that it is but turned in another direction. For many years geographical exploration into both Arctic and Antarctic regions seemed to have died out; men would not take the trouble, or even feared the consequences. At present we find the most active minds turning again to the old problem, and again the Arctic explorer is the hero of the hour. Perhaps there is some compensation in this for the apparent neglect of pure science. The chance discovery of a fossil form in Cook's Island in the midst of the Pacific Ocean almost identical with another in Patagonia, which ten or twenty years ago would have been received with actual hostility, as upsetting the theories of a WALLACE that the world was always as it is, now needs with encouragement as a sort of first-fruit of Antarctic discovery. Perhaps we have only changed the venue, and our next exceptional man may arise with surroundings altogether dissimilar from any in the past. The British Association even may have passed its day, but we have too great confidence in the torch of science to believe in the possibility of its extinction.

The Hongkong Rifle Association hold a competition to-day, at 2.30 p.m., for the Nursery Cup and spoons.

Owing to the pressure on our space to-day, some interesting local matter will be found on page 5.

We are requested to state that the departure of the P.M. steamer Korea has been postponed till to-morrow, at daylight.

The British iron barque Grosvenor, 516 tons registered, was put up to auction by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert yesterday, and sold for \$8,000. Capt. Brown of Honolulu is the purchaser.

We are informed that the following arrangements have been made for holding a Sunday school and occasional services for children in the Peak Church. A service for children will be held on first Sunday of each month by the Rev. C. H. Hickling, of the Union Church, and on the last Sunday of each month by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, of St. John's Cathedral. On the remaining Sundays of each month a Sunday school will be held by Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Prichard. This "undenominationalism" of the Peak Church, we take it, is a new feature. It should interest some of our readers.

A telegram to the Osaka *Maiuchi*, dated London, December 1st, says:—It is authoritatively declared in Moscow that Port Arthur will henceforward be purely a fortress.

Aga Khan, the Mahomedan leader, returned to Bombay last month. In an interview he gave a glowing account of the Coronation. He was specially impressed by the Naval Review.

The *Shanghai Times*, with apparent seriousness, published the following as a special telegram:—London, Dec. 7.—An American scientist is said to have announced the discovery of the microbe of laziness.

A native beggar boy was found last month horribly mutilated in a lane at Poona. From the signs of offerings, the theory is advanced that it is a case of living sacrifice by a fanatic, according to a Bombay despatch.

As a mere matter of arithmetic a dollar at 1/8 fixed would be delightfully simple, says the *Singapore Free Press*. Twelve to the £; same value as guinea; five rupees equal four dollars; five ticks equal three dollars; five Straits dollars equal two American Golds; five dollars equal (nearly) four yen. Calculations would be marvellously simplified.The Sandakan correspondent of the *Singapore Free Press* writes:—It is stated that the amalgamation of the Borneo Hardwood Co., Ltd., with the China-Borneo Co., Ltd., is now an accomplished fact, and that the title of the new concern will be the Inter. The timber business is not particularly satisfactory just now, but there are some slight indications that things are on the upward trend again.

At a regular meeting of the Ararat Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners, held on the 10th ult. Bro. G. P. Lammert, was duly installed as W. C. N. for the ensuing year, by P. C. N. Wor. Bro. J. Bryant. Wor. Bro. Lammert, then appointed and invested his officers as follows:—S.W., Bro. F. W. Edwards; J. W. Bro. G. B. Barnett; Tres., Bro. I. A. Wheat; Sec., Bro. Jas. Lockhead, P.C.N.; S.D., Bro. W. Kent; J.D., Bro. G. Patton; and Guardian, Bro. Brand.

The *Bangkok Times* of the 28th ult. says that the local banks were doing no business. A meeting of the rice-millers was called. The Borneo Co. shut down their rice mills, and Messrs. Markwald & Co. The Banks submitted the following claims to the Government:—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, £150,000. The Chartered Bank, £100,000. The Banque Indo-Chine, 1,500,000 francs. The firms are asking the Banks if they are to be held to contracts made. Nothing, however, is likely to be settled for the next two or three days.The *Shanghai Mercury* has received through an ex-port correspondent a copy of a placard issued by the Kolochoo society and posted throughout Chengchow, Hunan, the scene of the recent murder of two British missionaries. The placard is couched mostly in the secret language of the society. The intelligent part says that the leader's name is Li Ta-hai, and he calls on the people to exterminate the foreigners and complains of the weakness of the present Emperor, who has caused the death of many innocent subjects.A London telegram, dated the 7th inst., to the *Shanghai Times* says:—Weather seems to have set in throughout Europe in earnest. The mild spell following the cold snap of ten days ago has in turn been superseded by freezing weather in all sections with heavy snow throughout the north. At Amsterdam the canals have been frozen over, boat-transportation thus being discontinued for several months; at Vienna the thermometer has fallen 20 degrees below the freezing point. Although this change was not wholly unreasonable, it is said to have brought on general distress.

An anonymous correspondent writes to us with regard to the late attempt at an illegal opium farm, and though we do not as a rule take any notice of such communications we think that his remarks are of sufficient interest to justify our neglect of this rule on the present occasion. The correspondent alleges that the willingness of the Chinese Government to abolish the farm was the result of a discovery that the promoters were anti-Government men, no others indeed than our old friend Kang Yu-wei and his party. "The officials," says our correspondent, "though in possession of the shareholders' names, do not intend to take action first now. The gates of Cauton will be open as usual hereafter. There are enough troops inside the walls to suppress any troubles, and the officials are beginning to feel that their late action in shutting the city gates only exposed them to ridicule."

THEATRE ROYAL.

The Just! Waldorf Co. staged *Sherlock Holmes* for the third time last evening before a very good and appreciative audience. Mr. Norval McGregor in the title-role again scored a distinct success, while Mr. Wilson Forbes very ably assisted him as *Professor Moriarty*.The cigar scene and the fight on the cliff were admirably rendered. Miss Waldorf had very little to do as *Irene Adler*, but the little was done to perfection. A bullet of street dances, arranged by Miss Violet Russell, was introduced in the second act, and was much admired. This evening J. H. Broadhurst's farcical comedy, *The Wrong Mr. Wright* exposed the drama and Miss Janet Waldorf and her Company will again be seen in one of those pieces which are regarded as prime factors for creating a good laugh. *The Wrong Mr. Wright* comes with a splendid reputation, and has enjoyed a successful career in England, America, and Australia, and there is every prospect of a good reception in Hongkong.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 10th December.

THE VENEZUELAN DIFFICULTY.

Advice from Caracas, dated the 9th instant, states that the combined English and German fleets that day seized the Venezuelan fleet of four warships then lying in the harbour of Legnara, and that all the English subjects at Caracas had been arrested.

LONDON, 9th December.

THE MARSEILLE STRIKE.

The Marseilles strikers have refused to negotiate further with the employers or the Government, and have resolved to continue the struggle to the bitter end.

VENEZUELA.

Satisfaction is expressed in London at the arrest of British subjects at Caracas, they being considered safer in prison than at the mercy of the populace.

MACAO.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Macao, 12th December.

"PAUL DOUWER" ASHORE.

The steamer *Heungsian* was detained at Macao this morning owing to the gunboat *Dia* being anchored in the channel at the entrance of the river. The s.s. *Paul Douwer* went on shore off Barro Point in trying to clear the *Dia*, and as the tide was falling with strong N.W. wind blowing she will probably remain there till next high water. The detention of the *Heungsian* was most inconvenient, as she was under contract to tow a large junk with a consignment of opium out to the s.s. *Empire*, a distance of 10 miles off and also in having a great number of passengers all anxious to get to their destination. The matter of obstruction in the channel was, as I am informed, duly reported by the Captain of the *Heungsian* through the Company's agent to the Harbour Master, but no action has been taken to clear the channel. Considering the very shallow state of the harbour and its approaches, surely all facilities should be given to vessels trading to the port and not allow dangerous obstructions to be placed in the way unnecessarily.

THE "ZAIKE".

The gunboat *Zaire* leaves for India on Sunday, 14th inst.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

"BEACHCOMBERS."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 12th December.

SIR,—I have read with alarm your admirable article in to-day's issue on the subject of beachcombers, and sincerely wish that it may lead to some practical steps being taken by the Government to check the ever-increasing evils which inevitably follow the arrival of such men.

Hongkong is fast becoming, and if nothing effectual be done, will soon become the dumping ground for the destitute and undeserving from Manila and from all ports of the Far East. Can no drastic measures be taken to avert this imminent calamity? Surely it is within the power and ability of the local authorities to devise effective ways and means to put an immediate stop to this evil.—Yours, etc.

CONSERVATIVE.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The fourth Club Race takes place to-morrow over Course No. 8.

BAZAAE IN THE CITY HALL.

A sale of the articles of needle and fancy work made by the Chinese orphans under the tutition of the Asile de la Sainte Enfance was held yesterday, commencing at 2 p.m., under the patronage of Sir Henry and Lady Blake. A native regimental band played an excellent programme during the afternoon. Business seemed to be brisk, and we hope the bazaar was a financial success, the object being such a worthy one.

CRICKET.

The following will play for the H.K.C.C. (Civilian XI) v. H.M.S. *Tamar* to-day, commencing at 11 a.m.:—

Dr. J. M. Atkinson, J. T. Dixon, T. C. Gray, G. O. Heron, J. Hooper, G. P. Lammert, W. R. Lamarchand, W. C. D. Tarnet, A. R. Lowe, A. G. Ward, and A. N. Other.

A cricket match will take place at the Happy Valley today at 2 p.m. between the Craigen-gower C.C. and the Civil Service C.C.

FOOTBALL.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club last XV will play the H.M.S. *Glory* under Rugby rules. The kick-off is at 4 o'clock. The Club will play in striped jerseys, and will be represented by the following:

Lieut. Campbell, full back; H. Arthur, Ian Graham, T. E. Pearce, and T. J. Hallett, three-quarters; J. P. Jordan and Lien. Heath, halves; E. B. Hallifax, P. Goldring, E. D. C. Wolfe, O. T. Barnes, V. Cooper, H. F. Chard, A. Boyd, and W. W. Clark, forwards.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held yesterday at noon in the Council Chamber. Present:

His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Sir HENRY A. BLIVE, G.C.M.G.

His EXCELLENCY Sir W. GASCOIGNE, K.C.M.G. (Commanding the Troops).

Hon. F. H. MAX, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, K.T. (Attorney-General).

Hon. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. Commander R. M. RUMNEY, R.N. (Harbour Master).

Hon. W. CHATHAM (Director of Public Works).

Hon. Dr. F. W. CLARK (Medical Officer of Health).

Hon. Dr. KAI, C.M.G.

Hon. WEI A YUK.

Hon. C. S. SHARP.

Hon. C. W. DICKSON.

Hon.

by other means, and a suitable time would be the month of January. This might be undertaken by the Sanitary Department in order to secure its being done systematically and efficiently and would probably be accepted willingly if offered from home to house, since all residents are in full sympathy with every effort to exterminate the cause of the present great prevalence of鼠 fever. I may say that the Medical Officer of Health, who accompanied me on my second visit to this district, considers my proposal for the destruction of the adult insects by systematic fumigation of all basements and out-buildings during the winter season to be a quite practicable one, and he is prepared to make necessary arrangements.

"I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

"JOHN C. THOMSON,"

"Dr. J. M. ATKINSON,
Principal Civil Medical Officer."

SURVEYOR'S REPORT.
The Surveyor's report for the third quarter of 1902 was laid on the table.

SMOKE NUISANCE.

A letter was read from the Hongkong Steam Laundry requesting a further extension of forty days to comply with a smoke nuisance notice.

Col. Hughes intimated: "The smoke from the laundry is an intolerable nuisance to the number of Europeans frequenting Kowloon" stables. It is also detrimental to the health of the numbers of valuable horses and their Chinese attendants. In my opinion four months was a very liberal period to allow for improvement. The chimney that carries this smoke is very much too low. I am against granting a further respite unless this chimney is carried up thirty or forty feet higher, which can easily be done, and which will abate the nuisance to some extent."

On the motion of the PRESIDENT seconded by Mr. BADDELEY, it was agreed to grant the extension until the chimney be heightened.

FAT-BOILING ESTABLISHMENTS.

An application for house No. 196, Des Voeux Road to be registered as a fat-boiling establishment, and a minute thereon by Hon. Dr. Clark, were considered. The minute was as follows:

"I see there is no record in the minutes of the Board of any definite decision as to the establishment of further offensive trades, within the City limits. I think

it would be well if the Board decided that they would not grant licences for the establishment of any new premises of this description in the City or in the larger villages of Kowloon. Then such new premises would be established in the more rural districts, where there would be very little nuisance to anyone."

The application was refused, on the motion of the PRESIDENT, seconded by Col. HUGHES.

CONSTRUCTION OF CHANNELS AND DRAINS.

Hon. Dr. Clark tabled a minute to the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon recommending the construction of proper channels and drains in the Shuktong-shui Market. It read: "I find that the surroundings of the Shuktong-shui Market are constantly in a very insanitary condition apparently because the market has no suitable channels and drains to receive its washings, which flow down the steps into the roadway. If you have no objections to raise I propose to advise the Board to ask that this market be properly channelled and drained."

Mr. A. Gibson, the Veterinary Surgeon, replied: "I will warmly support any such proposal."

It was decided to call the attention of the Government in the usual way.

ERECTOR OF WATER-CLOSETS.

An application was considered for the erection of fifteen water-closets at Kowloon Docks. A plan attached was inspected.

Mr. E. Osborne intimated: "Grant subject to an adequate water supply independent of Government mains."

The Board agreed to grant the application subject to the terms of Mr. Osborne's minute.

A similar course was followed in the case of an application for the erection of sixteen water-closets on the new premises of Messrs. Watson & Co. in Des Voeux Road. A well ten feet deep is to be provided.

THE PROVISION OF A BACK-YARD.

Further correspondence was laid on the table relative to the provision of a back-yard for No. 1, Ludder Street.

Consideration was postponed until next meeting of the Board.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics for the Colony for the week ended 29th November showed the death-rate per 1,000 per annum to be 15.2, against 20.7 in the previous week and 17 for the corresponding week of last year.

RETURN OF RATS.

Of 1,248 rats caught in the City of Victoria during the week ended 8th December, 17 were infected, as were 18 out of 2,045 caught in Kowloon.

ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC WATER.

The analyses by Mr. F. Browne, Government Analyst, of public water supplies for the month of November, showed that the water in every case was of excellent quality.

LINENWASHING RETURNS.

The linewashing returns for the fortnight ended 6th December give 2,688 houses as treated in the Central district and 1,371 in the Western. There were four prosecutions in the former district, and fines were imposed to the amount of \$16.

This was all the public business.

CHURCH SERVICES.

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

14th December, 3rd Sunday in Advent.
Matins (11 a.m.).

Responses, Ferid; Venite, Alcock; Psalms, Robinson and Dupuis; Benedicte, Mauder in F; Jubilate, Ouseley in G; hymns, 217, 335, and 49.

Evensong (4.45 p.m.).

Responses, Ferid; Psalms, Smart, Purcell, Pelton, and Woodward; Magnificat, Wesley in F (1st M.); Nunc Dimittis, Taylor in G (2nd M.); hymns, 537, 50, and 51; Vesper hymn, Stowe.

S. PETER'S CHURCH.

(Corner of Des Voeux Road West and Western Street.)
Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.
Matins (11 a.m.).

Venite, Woodward; Te Deum, Lasses; Benedicte, Goss; hymns, 63, 395, 326, and 407.

Evensong (6.30 p.m.).

Magnificat, Teant; Nunc Dimittis, Aldrich; hymns, 68, 395, 326, and 407.

The Mission laneh Deyerring will call on the ships between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m. and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6), to bring friends ashore to the services, returning afterwards. The "Answering Pianist" is the "call" flag. All seats free. Strangers welcome.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 12th December.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

LI PING v. CHUN TONG.

The plaintiff in this case claimed \$16,000 damages on account of the defendant having, it was alleged, taken away stones from the plaintiff's quarry at Matankok. Mr. F. H. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon, solicitor), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. M. W. Shadie, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist, solicitor), for the defendant.

Mr. Sharp, K.C., in opening the case, said the plaintiff was a building contractor; so also was the defendant. Plaintiff was granted from the Crown the exclusive right to quarry granite upon the Crown lands at Matankok. During the months of January, February and to the 20th of March, 1901, the defendant committed a breach of this exclusive right of the plaintiff to quarry granite there. Defendant denied that he had quarried stone in the area leased by the plaintiff. The evidence would show that for a period of about 20 years—in fact, he thought more than double that period—the right of quarrying granite, as it was expressed in the Crown lease, had been leased yearly to an individual or individuals called the quarry master. This right comprised the small incidental right to remove any granite which had been already quarried during the year of the lease for one month succeeding that year, after the next farmer went in on his lease. That was to say, during the January of the succeeding year the old farmer was permitted to remove from the farm any granite already quarried up to 31st December. That right existed for one month. In the year 1900 and apparently for a few years before that year the defendant was the quarry master.

For the year 1901 the plaintiff was the quarry master and during that year had the exclusive right to quarry granite. There could be no question, he took it, what the right to quarry granite meant.

His Lordship—The lessee has one month to the end of January—to remove material which has been quarried during the year?

Mr. Sharp replied in the affirmative. The right to quarry granite he took to mean blasting, excavating, or working it in any way within the farmed area or to take it away after it had been so worked. The plaintiff, he thought, was entitled to damages for the infringement by anybody—in this case by the defendant—of his exclusive right. Of this title to damages the defendant should be peculiarly aware as he had brought an action of a very similar nature against another person in 1897, which was decided ultimately by the Full Court.

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THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 4 Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 29th day of DECEMBER, 1902, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Special Resolution.

That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865 to 1899, and that the HONOURABLE CHARLES STEWART SHAW, ALEXANDER GEORGE WOOD, and JOHN THOMAS MARTIN WHEELER be appointed Liquidators of the said Company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint Liquidators. Dated this 13th day of December, 1902. By Order of the Consulting Committee, WILLIAM D. JUDD, Acting Manager. [3337]

ALTERATION.

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Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 13th inst., at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFAIK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 12th December, 1902. [3335]

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "INDRASAMHA" FROM PORTLAND (OR.), YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Car & Co are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent, Hongkong, 12th December, 1902. [14]

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1902. [2402]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS will be ready on Monday, and will contain Leading Articles:

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s Meeting.

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China Tea.

Undesirables in Hongkong.

Human and Rat Plague.

Hongkong Legislative Council.

Hongkong Sanitary Board.

The Murder of Mr. Evans.

Enquiry into Collapse of Buildings.

Japan and Oriental Supremacy.

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TERMS.—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 11th December, 1902. [3321]

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to verify by enquiries from the parties whose houses appear in the report laid before the Council, the correctness or otherwise of the statement which it contains. So far I have been able to do so in some 28 or 29 cases, and 2 of them, I consider, fully corroborate what is stated in this report." The remaining 5 or 6 leave the matter rather doubtful or show that the report is inaccurate. I may point out that the report is confined to one morning. It is a report showing the state of affairs found to exist on that particular morning whereas the statement of the people given me is a general statement of how they fared in the matter of water supply. Therefore it is rather difficult even though their statements do not appear to corroborate the report—it seems doubtful whether the report as regards that particular morning was absolutely inaccurate. The matter, I may say, is still in my hands, and I shall report to your Excellency when I have completed my investigation.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY.—Sir, from the remarks which have dropped from the hon. member who moved the resolution, it seems that he is labouring under a misapprehension. He spoke of the report of which he complains as having been passed by the Director of Public Works.

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR.—Tabled.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY.—I beg your pardon. I submit, sir, that in as much as the report is only the report of a subordinate of the Director of Public Works to this subject is hardly one that ought to be referred to the committee asked for. I am sure the mover of the motion himself and the seconder will agree that if the subordinates of the Director of Public Works has been in fault in this matter there is no one who would be more anxious and more ready to follow up the matter and investigate it thoroughly than the head of the Department himself. That, sir, appears to me to be the proper course to pursue in this matter, and I submit that there is no necessity for any such committee as is asked for. The Director of Public Works has already stated that his attention having been drawn to this report, he is investigating it thoroughly, and I think that this Council may very well trust the Director of Public Works to make that investigation a very searching one.

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR.—Sir, I quite agree with the hon. Colonial Secretary. I have not any special desire to press this resolution in a division, as publicity has already been given to the matter; and I would ask my seconder's leave not to press the resolution to a vote, but at the same time I hope that the Government will see that there has been a very great deal of truth in what we have said.

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR.—Sir, I wish to withdraw the resolution?

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR.—I withdraw the resolution.

Hon. Mr. EXCELLENCE.—I have no doubt the Director of Public Works will investigate the matter fully. I quite agree that it is an extremely unfortunate thing that any misstatement should be made or laid on the table of this house, but hon. members will have confidence that the Director of Public Works will sift this matter thoroughly.

THIRD READINGS.

On the motion of Hon. C. S. SHARP, seconded by Hon. C. W. DICKSON, the Bill entitled an Ordinance to authorise the making of Bye-laws by the "Star" Ferry Company, Limited, was read a third time and passed.

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In connection with clause 100, Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR asked whether "cement-mortar" and "good lime" should not be defined; should not there be a standard to say the exact proportions?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS said there could be certain minimum proportions specified of cement or lime with mortar but it had never been done hitherto.

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR remarked that the result was that the town was tumbling down as fast as it could because builders did not use proper proportions.

Hon. Mr. EXCELLENCE did not see how they could define these terms. You might have the same number of parts and yet get good mortar in one case and bad mortar in the other.

Hon. Mr. PLAYFAIR said he would suggest the addition to this clause of the provision that the Building Authority or his assistants might at any time cut a hole through a wall to ascertain whether or not it had been built solid throughout.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that had been provided for later on.

Clause 101 referred to the thickness of external walls.

Hon. Mr. SHARP said he had had a representation from Mr. Danby, whose name was mentioned during the second reading of the Bill as one well qualified to give an opinion, that he thought the extra thickness of walls was really not required. Mr. Danby stated that "in all his long experience he thought he could conscientiously say he had never heard or known of a house collapsing which had been built in strict accordance with the present building regulations." He should like to ask the Director of Public Works whether in his experience he could find any instance where the present regulations had been strictly complied with and a house so built had collapsed? The Bill provided for a very considerable increase, and after the experience of last year it was the desire of them all to see every care taken to prevent sacrifice of life; his view was certainly favourable to a margin on the right side, but when he represented such as he had mentioned was made no thought it was entitled to some hearing and consideration.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS stated that the thicknesses embodied in the present Bill were practically those appearing in the Glasgow Building Act of 1903. It was almost a repetition. The only thing was that in the Glasgow Act the progressive steps are limited to 14 feet whereas in this they were 15 feet; and considering that stories of houses were usually a little higher here than at home he thought it desirable to allow that slight increase. He considered that several of the collapses were due to insufficient strength of walls.

Hon. Mr. EXCELLENCE asked whether the difference in the thickness of the joints would make any difference in the strength of the walls; would a quarter-inch joint be stronger than a three-quarter-inch joint?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.—Yes.

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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yrd.
4. From Naval Yrd to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	BANGAL	Brit. str.	-	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 20th inst. at Noon.
LONDON	PELUS	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th January.
LONDON	ANTENOE	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM & LONDON	ULYSSES	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th Inst.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th Inst.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th January.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, CHAGEN, & BALTIMORE	PRINCESSE MARIE	Dan str.	-	Barentzoo	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	INDUS	Fren. str.	-	Duchateau	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 18th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON & ANTWERP	TEENKA	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & AMSTERDAM	SADOU MARU	Jap. str.	-	S. J. G. Parsons	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	OPACK	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BAVARI	Ger. str.	2 m.	H. Blaeker	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	-	Borch	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	-	Jahring	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 13th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SILESIA	Ger. str.	-	Balle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WULZBURG	Ger. str.	-	v. Buzar	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th February.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	-	Fuchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th February.
GENOA, LONDON & ANTWERP	BRONKHORST	Brit. str.	-	Wallace	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	Or about 10th Inst.
GENOA & HAMBURG	STEADSBURG	Brit. str.	-	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st Inst.
NAPLES, LEGHORN & LONDON	HYSON	Am. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd Inst.
TRISTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE	VINOBONA	Brit. str.	-		SANDEE, WIELER & CO.	On 18th Inst., P.M.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	OROSO	Brit. str.	-		DODWELL & CO. LTD.	Today.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS	ADATE	Ger. str.	-		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th Inst.
VANCOUVER, &c., VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 17th Inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, &c., VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	-	T. L. Pyne	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 31st Inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN	TAOMA	Brit. str.	-	A. Dixon	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 16th Inst., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SHUNAO MARU	Jap. str.	-	M. J. Currow	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDARAHAMA	Brit. str.	-	R. P. Craven	PORTLAND & ASIAH. S. S. CO.	On 30th Inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	-		SANDEE, WIELER & CO.	On 29th Inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CANTON	Brit. str.	-	E. W. Haswell	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st January, at 4 P.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HANDEI MARU	Jap. str.	-	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 2nd Inst.	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAMADA MARU	Jap. str.	-		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan., at Daylight.
CHEFOU & SHINWANTAO	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	-	J. W. Wale	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th Inst., at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	HONJU	Brit. str.	-	A. E. Moses	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	LOONGMOON	Ger. str.	-	Schnitz	SIEMSEN & CO.	On 16th Inst.
SHANGHAI	W. OSING	Brit. str.	-		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHIHLI	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On or about 15th Inst.
SHANGHAI	BALZARAT	Brit. str.	-	F. R. Summers	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 16th Inst.
SHANGHAI, PORT ARTHUR & VLADIVOSTOCK	KOREA	Brit. str.	-	Pernitz	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAGI MARU	Am. str.	-	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 14th Inst.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	-	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 17th Inst.
AMTING, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	MAIDUWEI MARU	Jap. str.	-	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 24th Inst.
AMOY, SAMARANG & SOUREABAYA	KWEIYA MARU	Brit. str.	-		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd Inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAILONG	Brit. str.	-	Gibson	Douglas LAPRAE & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	ADENOK	Brit. str.	-	N. Tate	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	ROSETTA MARU	Brit. str.	-	E. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	On 17th Inst., at Noon.
MANILA, DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	-	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	On 24th Inst., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	-	J. G. Spencer	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	On 17th Inst., at 3 P.M.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	CAPRI	Brit. str.	-		CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	-		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd January, at Noon.

VESSELS ON THE FERTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 11. PHILIPPI, New str., 801, Haraldsen, Haiphong via Hoihow 10th Dec., Rieser, S. Kier, Wille & Co.

Dec. 11. INDONESIA, British str., 3,363, R. P. Craven, Portland, Or., 14th Nov., General - ALEXANDER CAMERON.

Dec. 11. WUHUA, British str., 1,270, Stringer, Wuhan and Chinkiang 6th Dec., Rieser, BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Dec. 12. APENRADE, German str., 611, A. P. Ulstrup, Haiphong and Pukhoi 10th Dec., General - JENSEN & Co.

Dec. 12. CHINA, German str., 1,113, Krabb, Samalang 11th Dec., Sugar - OUDER.

Dec. 12. L. ISER, Norwegian str., 757, C. Meyer, Chinkiang 7th Dec., Liege - ORDER.

Dec. 12. MICHAEL JENSEN, German str., 710, J. Jason, Haiphong 7th Dec. and Hoihow 10th Dec., Geleira - JENSEN & Co.

Dec. 12. OSYACK, British str., 2,517, Barber, Empress 6th Dec., General - JETTER, FILLIPS & SWIRE.

Dec. 12. P. C. MITCHELL, Norwegian str., 1,223, Larbygau, Muuan 3rd December, Conf. - MASTEE.

CLEARANCES.

* THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

12th December.

Pennholz, British str., for Singapore.

Eastern, British str., for Yokohama.

Western, British str., for Kwangchauwan.

Ladson, Norwegian str., for Canton.

Loksan, British str., for Shanghai.

Robt. Dickinson, British str., for Swatow.

Sudie, Norwegian str., for Canton.

Shanghai, British str., for Singapore.

Whampi, British str., for Shanghai.

Wuhua, British str., for Iloilo.

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DEPARTURES.

12th December.

EASTERN, British str., for Australia.

EMPIRE, British str., for Australia.

HERMES, Norwegian str., for Chinkiang.

HOIHOW, British str., for Shanghai.

HUF, French str., for Kwangchauwan.

LOKSANG, British str., for Shanghai.

SAKA, British barque, for Amoy.

ROBT. DICKINSON, British str., for Swatow.

SENTIS, Norwegian str., for Canton.

SHANGHAI, British str., for London.

TAISANG, British str., for Canton.

VICTORIA, British str., for Amoy.

WHAMPY, British str., for Iloilo.

WUHUA, British str., for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

12th December.

ABEDDEEN DOCKS - Kinskin Mart.

KOWLOON DOCKS - H.I.G.M.S. Tiger, Bugdo, Tucora, Phrahang, Loyal, Argus, Taifu, Kweiwang, Kwong Yeh, H.I.G.M.S. First Biscay.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK - U.S.S. Monterey.

SHIPPING REPORT.

The British steamer *Indraswara*, from Portland, Or., the Nov., had clear weather and moderate W.N.W. wind to Hienhsien Island. From Hienhsien Island to Chapel Island strong N.E. monsoon, misty weather and continuous heavy rain. From Chapel Island to Pedro Bay moderate N.E. monsoon, shower and fine generally. From Pedro Bay to port variable light winds and fine, clear weather.

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R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 11th Feb.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,325 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 1st April.

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